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MOTION FOR ARRIVING IN MILL CASE REFUSED

Supreme Court Re-
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Case on Ground That
Was Filed Two Days
After the Legal Limit Set
Court Had Expired.

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and Graves Do Not Vote
Farris Joins Opposition
Motion.

Correspondent of the Post-
Dispatch.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2.—The motion for rehearing in the United States Supreme Court case of *St. Louis & N. W. Ry. Co. v. United States*, which was filed in the court on Jan. 1, 1915, after the legal limit for filing such motions had expired, was refused today by a majority of the court.

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KEY SUCCEEDS JUDGE BLAIR

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2.—The Supreme Court on Jan. 2, 1915, elected Robert T. Bailey, of St. Louis, as its new Chief Justice, succeeding Judge Blair.

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PARTLY CLOUDY WITH RISE IN TEMPERATURE

THE TEMPERATURES.
High, 42 at 3 p. m. Low, 26 at 2 a. m.



Official fore-
cast for St.
Louis and vic-
inity: Partly
cloudy weather
tonight and to-
morrow; rising
temperature; the
lowest tonight
will be slightly
below the freezing
point.

For Missouri:
Partly cloudy to-
night and to-
morrow; warm-
er tonight and in
east portion to-
morrow.

For Illinois:
Increasing cloudiness
tonight; probably
becoming unsettled tomorrow; rising
temperature.

BURLESON IS IN ST. LOUIS, SAYS BUSINESS IS IMPROVING

Postmaster-General Burleson passed through St. Louis today on his way from Austin, Tex., to Washington, D. C. At Union Station he told reporters that from conversation with fellow passengers on his travels he was led to believe business conditions are improving in the West, Northwest and in the New England States. As to the South, he said conditions there continue bad and will remain so until the cotton crop can be marketed.

The Postmaster-General, who is a Texan, was asked about the recent criticism by Gov. Colquitt of Texas of President Wilson's Mexican policy. "I was in Texas last year," he said, "but in that time I heard about 30 people discuss the Governor's criticism. Everyone sided with the President."

Burleson took occasion to deny a rumor sent out from Washington that Secretary of State William J. Bryan is to resign as a Cabinet member and that Senator William J. Stone of Missouri will be appointed to succeed him.

"President Wilson and Mr. Bryan are the very best of friends, having absolute confidence in each other, and both are well satisfied with the present arrangement. I can safely predict Mr. Bryan will stay where he is. Reports to the contrary emanate from unfriendly sources."

WILL PROVIDES HOME FOR LIFE FOR LAWYER'S PET DOG

St. Louis Attorney Also Leaves \$2000 to Housekeeper for Faithful Services.
By the will of Otto R. Givens, who practiced law in St. Louis for 40 years and died Sunday at his residence at 2322 Olive street, his favorite dog, "Ben," is provided with a home for the remainder of his life.

The will was filed for probate today. Lydia M. Meyer, who has been housekeeper for Givens for many years, is left \$2000 as token of regard for faithful services.

It is requested in the will that the housekeeper provide a good home for the dog. Acquaintances of Givens state the dog had accompanied him upon many hunting trips.

The remainder of the estate, the value of which is not given, is divided into five parts, three going to his sister, Sarah H. Givens, of Juneau, Wis., and the other six parts to nephews and nieces.

BULLET HITS GIRL'S CORSET STAY, SHE IS ONLY BRUISED

Miss Helen Grossberg Didn't Know
She Had Been Hit at Watch Party

A corset stay probably saved the life of Helen Grossberg, 16 years old, of 2322 Franklin avenue, who was struck by a stray bullet at a midnight celebration Thursday.

Miss Grossberg did not know she had been struck by a bullet until she began to dress several hours later and the lead pellet fell to the floor. She had felt a stinging sensation while blowing a horn on the sidewalk near the home of Miss Esther Schirichs, 3433 Crittenden street, where a watch party was in progress. Revolvers were being fired nearby.

She consulted a doctor yesterday, who told her that there was only a bruise.

TAFT WOULD HAVE U. S. STAY 60 YEARS IN PHILIPPINES

Ex-President Testifies Islanders
Must Learn English Before
They Can Rule Selves.

ATTACKS PENDING BILL

No Measure Better Calculated to
Cause Strife Like That in
Mexico, He Says.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—In vigorous terms, former President Taft today told the Senate Philippines Committee the Filipino people were not as yet capable of self-government. He opposed in detail the administration bill for greater measure of self-government for the islands, declaring that "no measure could be framed better calculated to stir up trouble in the Philippines."

"The Filipino people do not understand republican self-government in the sense that we know it," said the former President, who at another point, indicated his belief that about 60 years would have to pass before the Filipinos would understand self-government.

"What would be the result if they were given self-government at once?" asked Chairman Hitchcock. "A Filipino in whom I have great confidence," said Mr. Taft, "said to me, 'Your steamer would not be around Corregidor Island before the throat-cutting would begin.' I verily believe that is true. We find the same condition in Mexico. The man who loses a political fight has his head for a forfeit. That's what developed when Aguinaldo was in power."

"Mexico Might Be Repeated."
"I'm describing an actual condition that exists there. I'd be glad to have the United States get out of the Philippines and I have a great regret for the poor people out there. They don't like me because I've told them the truth. But the trouble with a great many people is that they don't like to be told the truth. If you give these people independence now or by 1920, you will have this terrible situation develop. Either a Diaz would arise in the Philippines or they would get into a condition that caused the fall of Diaz in Mexico."

The former President, while disavowing any intention of speaking as a military expert, said in answer to questions that the obligation of the United States to defend the Philippines might be a "source of weakness in time of war."

"But," he continued, "I do not believe that any of the nations now engaged in the European war would look on the possession of the Philippines as a naval base as a source of weakness."

Diaz declared that in his opinion Japan had no desire to take the Philippines. "I twice visited Japan and conferred with the authorities on that very point," he continued, "and it's my opinion that their experiences in Formosa have been quite enough in that direction."

Position of the Republicans.
Neither Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt nor his had contemplated turning over the Philippines to the Government to the people before they were educated up to handling it, Mr. Taft said.

"I believe Mr. Roosevelt still feels that way, as I do," he said. "Of course, I am not in Mr. Roosevelt's confidence, but I believe that is his position."

POLICE HEADS TO CONFER ON REIGN OF CRIME TODAY

Chief Young Calls Captains and
Lieutenants In; Orders
More Vigilance.

ROBBER KILLED IN CAFE

Proprietor Shoots Him Down
and Two Companions Are
Forced to Flee.

Chief of Police Young this morning notified all Captains and Lieutenants to come to his office this afternoon for a conference with himself and Chief of Detectives Allender regarding methods of checking crime in the city. The Chief says the Captains must get more active work out of their men and that the men must wake up.

The conference followed the killing of one of three armed robbers by a restaurant keeper at 208 North Thirteenth street and the robbery of two women in their restaurant at 4205 Olive street last night and the blowing open of a safe in a jewelry store at 1821 Market street early this morning.

Chief Young says that cold weather invariably means an increase in the number of crimes in a large city. He says he is not interested in the theory of the matter, as he doesn't know whether the increase in crime is due to destitution or whether criminals simply make an excuse of cold weather. But the Chief says he is greatly interested in the fact that crime has been increasing and is determined to stop it.

Allender holds that the records show that the city is more free from crime now than it was last summer. He said there have been no recent crimes of the magnitude of the \$10,000 robbery of the paymaster of the Brown Shoe Co., the \$100 robbery of the paymaster of the Hammer Furniture Co., or the killing of Watchman Sale after an effort to rob the Metropole Hotel.

Allender says he does not believe crime is due to hunger or destitution. He says that in the rare cases where persons steal food or clothing because of necessity the cases are prosecuted if investigation proves the need.

"I will give a suit of clothes to anyone," said the Detective Chief, "who will show any case in the city jail or State penitentiary of a prisoner whose crime was due to hunger or destitution."

CAFE ROBBER IS SHOT TO DEATH

Bullet From Proprietor's Pistol
Penetrates His Heart—Com-
panions Flee.

With a revolver which he kept ready for such an emergency, George Vasileopolous, 36 years old, last night shot and killed one of three armed robbers who invaded his restaurant at 306 North Thirteenth street. In doing so he protected from theft \$5 in his cash register and \$15 in his trousers' pocket.

Vasileopolous was serving supper to Fred Mason of 2012 Olive street at 6 p. m., when three men entered and took seats at the lunch counter and ordered coffee. The proprietor started for the kitchen and was followed by one of the trio.

Body Falls Across Stove.
As he neared the coffee urn, Vasileopolous turned and the man at his heels aimed a revolver at his breast. The proprietor sprang back several feet, snatched his own revolver from a shelf and fired twice at the robber. The latter fell across a range with a bullet through his heart and another in his left hand.

The second robber then engaged the proprietor in a struggle. Each fired three shots, the robber continually cutting him with his dead companion to help him. The third robber fled, after striking Mason on the head with his revolver. His companion also was forced to flee.

Two patrolmen, attracted by the shots, ran to the restaurant from Twelfth and Olive streets and found Vasileopolous calmly looking at the dead robber.

The water cooler in front of which Vasileopolous stood while exchanging shots with the second robber was shattered by bullets. Four cups and saucers and a catsup bottle also were smashed.

Exigencies of War Make It Necessary Now for Women to Run London Elevators



THE women folks of Great Britain, imbued with the war spirit, are helping in every way possible to fill the ranks of the army with new volunteers. Not only have the women organized their own Volunteer Relief Corps, but in many instances they are occupying positions left vacant when the men went to the front. On Oxford street, in one of the largest department stores (Selfridge's), where most of the

ROBBER LOCKS CASHIER IN BANK VAULT, GETS \$4000

Imprisoned Man Rescued by De-
positors Attracted by Dog's
Barking in Neelyville, Mo.

NEELYVILLE, Mo., Jan. 2.—W. A. Welker, cashier of the Bank of Neelyville, had prepared to open the bank for business this morning and was walking out of a rear door to get a supply of fuel, when a masked, armed bandit held him up, marched him into the bank vault, where he was locked in, and got away with approximately \$4000.

At 9 o'clock, two depositors at the front door were commenting about the bank not being open at the usual hour when their attention was attracted by the barking of Welker's dog inside. They started to investigate. One of the men, agent of the Iron Mountain Railroad, succeeded in opening a back door and heard the cashier's cries for help.

Welker called out the combination of the vault locks from the inside and was released, being exhausted from cold, lack of air and his struggles to attract attention to his imprisonment. He was unable to give a good description of the robber, who was quiet until after the trial of Frank Bierman of 1425 Blair avenue and William Gillespie, who testified he had no home.

Von Hoffmann, promoter of the soup kitchen, appeared as prosecuting witness. He testified that late yesterday afternoon while the free soup line was being served Bierman appeared at the Municipal Lodging House and harangued the waiting line of men.

"Judge," said von Hoffmann, "he told those men it would be better for them to go out and steal than to eat this free soup. Now if anybody is allowed to say that, then our soup system falls down like a nutshell."

The robber called him names and Gillespie shook his fist in his face. He said he followed Bierman and Gillespie to Eleventh and Market street where an L. W. W. meeting was being held and the crowd there called his names and threatened him.

VON HOFFMANN THREATENED BY L. W. W. IN COURT

Free Soup Provider is Guarded
by Special Police at Trials
Before Judge Hogan.

Albert von Hoffmann, head of an organization which is supplying free soup to homeless and unemployed men at the Municipal Lodging House in the old Four Courts Building, tasted the bitter fruits of ingratitude today when he was set upon and verbally abused by about 40 L. W. W. sympathizers in Judge Hogan's court.

The gestures and threats directed against Hoffmann were so menacing that a special guard of policemen was called upon to protect him and escort him from the building.

All morning there had been rumors that L. W. W. sympathizers were ready to make a demonstration in the courtroom in case two of their number who had been arrested were convicted.

This report reached police headquarters and Capt. O'Brien detailed a Sergeant and 10 patrolmen to guard the courtroom. It was thought the demonstration would be made when certain L. W. W. street speakers were arraigned, but all was quiet until after the trial of Frank Bierman of 1425 Blair avenue and William Gillespie, who testified he had no home.

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FRENCH WARSHIP SEIZES AMERICAN SHIP BRINDILLA

Standard Oil Vessel, Detained
by British in October, Now
Is Taken to Brest.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Standard Oil Co.'s American tank steamer Brindilla, whose arrest by a British cruiser and detention at Halifax last October has been the cause of diplomatic correspondence between the United States and Great Britain, has been intercepted by a French warship and taken to Brest, France, according to information received by the Standard Oil Co. from Capt. Peterson, commander of the Brindilla, by way of London.

The Brindilla left Alexandria, Egypt, on or about Nov. 26. She was reported as passing Gibraltar Dec. 6. She arrived at St. Michaels, Azores, to take on a cargo of oil from a German steamer Dec. 12 and was reported as leaving St. Michaels Dec. 21. In leaving St. Michaels the Brindilla cleared for Copenhagen.

The Brindilla's first seizure off New York last October, resulted in a vigorous protest by her owners to the United States State Department. At that time the Brindilla had aboard a cargo of oil and was bound ostensibly for Alexandria, Egypt. A British cruiser conveyed her to Halifax.

Washington Hears Brindilla Will Be Released Promptly.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The State Department learned today that the steamship Brindilla, after her seizure off the coast of Scotland, was taken to Brest, and made representations to the British government. Diplomatic assurances have been received that the vessel will be released promptly.

It developed today that another Standard Oil vessel, the Cushing, recently seized by British cruisers with a cargo of oil, but has been released after an inquiry at Villafranca. The department made it clear that she was of American registry.

SURVIVORS TELL HOW FORMIDABLE WAS DESTROYED

British Battleship Sank in
English Channel After Be-
ing Struck by Mine or Tor-
pedo Aboard Magazine—
Many Men Lost After Put-
ting Out in Boats.

Captain and Others on
Bridge as Vessel Disap-
peared—Only 150 of 750
on Board Saved—From
2 Boats That Got Away.

Russian Advance Against
Austrians in Fierce Fight-
ing Continues—Germans
Capture Forest in France
in Stubborn Battle.

By Associated Press.
BRIGHAM, Devon, England, Jan. 2.—Survivors of the British battleship Formidable, which went down in the English channel yesterday after having struck a mine or been torpedoed by a German submarine, have been brought ashore here.

They relate that the warship was struck about the magazine. The explosion was terrific, but the magazine was not reached. As the water rushed in the men hurried to the deck and found that the vessel already had a heavy list to starboard.

The small boats were sent out. A cutter foundered and the men in her were drowned. A launch and a pinnace succeeded in getting away. Almost all the oars were broken in trying to prevent the small boats from being dashed to pieces against the side of the ship by the tremendous seas.

Capt. Loxley and his signal man were still on the bridge when the battleship keeled over and went to the bottom.

600 MEN LOST WITH FORMIDABLE

Cruiser and Trawler Rescued 15
—Ship Twice Torpedoed,
Say Survivors.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Daily Chronicle states that survivors of the British battleship Formidable, which was sunk yesterday in the English channel, report that the vessel was torpedoed both before and after early in the morning and sank almost immediately.

The Chronicle's Brigham correspondent says the captain of the trawler Providence, which rescued 20 survivors who had escaped from the battleship in a cutter, states that neither of the boats were close at hand. The Captain expresses the belief that other survivors have been rescued and taken to Dartmouth. He saw no other boats belonging to the Formidable, however.

The British Admiralty today issued a list containing the names of Capt. Arthur N. Loxley and 31 other officers of the Formidable, who, it says, must be presumed to have been lost in the disaster as they have not been reported among the saved. The list includes nine midshipmen.

A report current in Paris is to the effect that the Formidable was torpedoed off Portsmouth by a German submarine.

Portsmouth is the chief naval station of England. It is situated at the south-west extremity of Portsmouth Island, 18 miles southeast of Southampton, and 6 miles southwest of London. Portsmouth harbor is four miles in length with about an equal width and its entrance is only about 60 yards across. It has been said that in this land locked haven the whole British navy might anchor in perfect security. The arm of the English Channel with which it communicates is the roadstead of Spithead.

The Tor Bay trawler Providence has landed 20 additional survivors from the Formidable. They were rescued by the trawler during a terrific storm yesterday morning. This makes the number saved, so far as is known, 20.

The rescue was made under dangerous and exciting circumstances. The crew of the trawler were amazed while running before the gale for shelter to find a small open boat driving under their lee through mountainous seas with an on-board bearing a sailor's scarf. After desperate efforts those on the trawler succeeded in getting a rope to the cutter and brought her with great skill to their stern. The naval men began to jump aboard but even then there was danger of losing men as the seas were running 20 feet high. After a half hour's work, however, which was safely rescued. One boy, 15 years old, was so exhausted he required immediate treatment to save his life. When all had left the cutter her rope was cut as she was full of water, having a hole under her hull which had been stuffed with a pair of trousers, which one man had diverted himself for the purpose.

Kaiser Wants Big Victory Before Throat Is Operated On

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Express says he learns that the condition of Emperor William of Germany is worse than is generally supposed. The correspondent says he is informed that sooner or later the Emperor must return from the front to Berlin for an operation on his throat, but is deferring the trip because he wants to return only after having obtained a crushing victory.

Residents took blankets, clothing and boots to the survivors and housed them in comfortable quarters.

600 Men Probably Lost.

The destruction of the Formidable has caused widespread grief. This is due not so much to the loss of the ship, which was 15 years old, and cost about \$5,000,000, as it is for the men—600 in number—who are believed to have gone down with her. Only 150 men of the Formidable's crew of 750 are known to have been rescued. A light cruiser picked up 30 and a Tor Bay trawler 70. Among the rescued are eight officers and six midshipmen.

The British Admiralty has not announced the locality where the disaster occurred, and declares it is unable to say whether the ship struck a mine or was torpedoed, but the inclination is to believe that a submarine gain has been successful in an attack.

French Occupy Three New Lines of Women in Steinhach.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The War Office's official announcement given out today follows:

"During the night of Dec. 31, Jan. 1, the enemy delivered at numerous points along the front a series of attacks, which were repulsed with ease."

"The region to the north of the line was, during the day of Jan. 1, the scene of a very spirited artillery engagement which took place on the dunes of Nieport and Zonnebeke."

"At St. Georges the enemy did not continue his counter-attacks and all our gains have been retained."

"In the regions of Arras, of Albert and of Roye, there have been artillery duels. The enemy blew up two of our caissons between Beaumont and Achiet. In revenge we demolished the enemy's trenches at Parvillers and at La Boisselle and we stopped the operations of the mine thrower set up in front of Pricourt."

"Our artillery also obtained happy results in the region of the Aisne, where it silenced the artillery of the enemy and dispersed several concentrations of German troops. We have installed ourselves on the plateau of Navarin, in certain excavations caused by the explosion of mines. The Germans were not able to either advance or drive us out; all their counter attacks were driven back."

"In the region of Rheims there was a fairly heavy bombardment by the enemy."

"In the region of Perthen we occupied and retained a forest two kilometers (mile and a quarter) northeast of Meunil-les-Hurlus; the enemy did not deliver a counter attack."

"In the Argonne, in the forest of La Grurie, a local retirement reported yesterday had not had any effect. We have reoccupied a part of the ground lost and we are holding our position strongly."

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been an artillery engagement, but without great severity."

"In the Woëvre we have retained the positions gained by us Dec. 30, without experiencing a counter attack from the enemy, and in the Forest of La Trete we have made a slight advance."

"In the Vosges we have driven back a German attack on our positions at Brementil, three kilometers northeast of Badonviller, inflicting heavy losses on the Germans. The enemy has sustained also heavy losses at Steinhach (Alsace), where our infantry yesterday occupied three new lines of houses."

"For several days house-to-house fighting has been in progress in Steinhach, where the French occupy half of the town."

German Take Entire Burned Forest After Stubborn Battle.

BERLIN, Jan. 2, by wireless to London.—The official communication issued today by the army headquarters staff says:

"In the Western theater the enemy's attacks against our positions in and near the dunes at Nieport were repulsed."

"In the Argonne region we made further progress all along the front."

"Piercing French attacks to the north of Verdun and also against the front on the line of Alilly-Apremont, north of Commercy, were repulsed with heavy losses to the French. Thirty-three officers and 100 men were taken prisoners by us. On this occasion we succeeded in taking the entire Bois Brûlé (Burned Forest), for which we have been fighting so stubbornly."

"Less important engagements south of Saarburg had the desired result."

"Late in the afternoon the enemy's bombardment of the villages situated behind our front. They succeeded in killing 10 inmates of one of the shelters of one of our divisions."

"The French official reports state that the French are making progress step by step in the village of Steinhach (Alsace). Not a single house has been set by us in Steinhach. All the French attacks on this village have been repulsed."

"It is reported from the eastern theater that the situation on the East Prussian frontier is unchanged."

"East of the Sura and the Rawa branches of the Vistula River our attacks have progressed under somewhat more favorable weather conditions."

"In Poland, to the east of the Pilsa

Niece of the President Becomes "Movie" Star



MARGARET VALE

MARGARET VALE, a niece of President Wilson, has become a "movie" star. Recently she had a letter from the President in which he expressed "the sincere hope that you are happy and successful in your new undertakings." So the seal of presidential approval is set on the "movies." Miss Vale's first appearance will be in a moving picture called "Was He a Coward?"

River, there have been no changes in the situation."

Russian Army Steamed Bombard German Infantry on Vistula.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 2.—An official communication given out by the general staff last night says:

"In East Prussia and in the region of Mlawa (Northern Russian Poland) we have defeated attempts by the Germans to deliver a partial offensive."

"On the Vistula, opposite Wyszogrod (7 miles northwest of Warsaw) our armed steamers cannonaded the infantry of the enemy with success."

"Between the Vistula and the Lower Pilica the Germans have begun a series of attacks supported by the fire of their heavy artillery. Our troops, in an action on the left bank of the Buzza River near Vitorke, repulsed two night attacks. On the Rawa River we repulsed an attack directed against Doletka."

"On Dec. 31 the enemy manifested activity which was particularly intense in the region of the town of Rawa, where the fighting still continues."

"South of the Pilica the action has spread out and the positions cut off the routes from the Vloosthor to Kielce."

"In Galicia we made energetic attacks on the enemy in the region of Gorlice (southwest of Jaslo) near Mchanka and Ropitz, where, despite the extremely fierce resistance which the enemy offered, we destroyed, after a hard fight, their fortifications established on the heights. In the village of Mchanka we captured about 3000 prisoners, including 68 officers, four cannon and six machineguns. The fighting in this region still continues. Furious counter attacks, which the enemy made, supported by armored automobiles, were repulsed by our artillery fire and bayonet charges."

"In Bukovina we occupied, after a battle, Storozhnietz and Radautz, (just south of Czernowitz). We also took some prisoners."

"The inactivity of the Germans in the neighborhood of Warsaw for some days is explained, according to reports reaching here, by the claim that they have employed this time in fortifying the territory already taken up by the Buzza River and along the left bank of the Lower and Middle Vistula rivers."

"According to reliable information reaching here, Lodz, Lodz, Skiernewice and Piotrkow are now as strongly fortified as Kalisz and Czenstochowa. The Germans have attempted to make this territory as difficult to invade as in German soil."

Residents of West Poland who are reaching Petrograd, state that hundreds of factories have been blown up by the Germans and that all available building material, especially bricks and metals, have been used in the construction of the fortifications. Recent German attacks between Skiernewice and Warsaw have their base at Lodz and Piotrkow, which are said to be equipped with railroads, telegraphs and all the necessary accessories of war."

Four Austrian Monitors Bombard Serbian Capital.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The Belgrade correspondent of the Havas Agency, in a dispatch dated Dec. 31, describes the bombardment of the Serbian capital by four Austrian monitors, which he says took place Wednesday. His message follows:

"Yesterday at noon the enemy's guns fired several shots in Karabournas. One shell fell in the city, damaging a house. Toward 5 o'clock in the afternoon four Austrian monitors appeared before the fortress and opened fire against it and the banks of the Save and Danube rivers. The bombardment lasted until 9 o'clock. At intervals the rattling of quick-firers was heard. Several more shrapnel shells fell in the city. The damage was purely material."

German Women 100 Years Old.

SENECA, Kan., Jan. 2.—Mrs. Ann Roberts Van Pelt celebrated the 100th anniversary of her birth here today. She is the mother of 11 children.

Clogged-Up Liver Causes Headache

It's a foolish proceeding to suffer from constipation, sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, indigestion and kindred ailments.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS will end all misery in a few hours. Purely vegetable. Act gently on liver and bowels.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. The GENUINE must bear signature.

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GERMANY WANTS NO BELGIANS TO ACT AS CONSULS

Refusal to Recognize Exequaturs in Occupied Territory Is Explained.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Jan. 2.—According to a statement in the Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, a summary of which was given out today by the Official Press Bureau in Berlin, Germany no longer considers binding the exequaturs of consuls in any territory which has been occupied by Germany during the war. The statement of the Official Press Bureau is as follows:

"The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, explaining the status of consuls in Belgium, concerning whose exequaturs it intimates there has been considerable misunderstanding, says that Germany has notified not only America, but all neutrals, as well as those countries allied with Germany, that she no longer considers binding, in any hostile territory occupied by Germany, exequaturs issued prior to the war."

"At the same time it is made plain that Germany is glad to meet wishes regarding the admission of consuls anywhere, except where military operations are being carried out. Germany requests, however, that only persons of Germanophile or neutral leaning be appointed, but she has made no request for the recall of any particular consular agent."

"It cannot be expected," the newspaper adds, "that Germany accept hostile Belgian subjects as consuls for other countries in occupied territory. This point is said to be especially important as 300 Belgians heretofore have held posts as consuls for allied or neutral states."

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\$11,500,000 STATE REVENUE ESTIMATE FOR NEXT 2 YEARS

Auditor Gordon Gives Out Figures on Amount Available for Appropriations.

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 2.—State Auditor John P. Gordon has made up an estimate of the amount of cash available from the revenue fund for the purpose of appropriation by the Forty-eighth General Assembly. The total is \$11,500,000.

Gordon told the Legislature two years ago that the greatest amount of revenue that could be expected for the biennial period just closed would be \$10,000,000 and his estimate came within \$1,500,000 of the amount really collected. Below is his estimate of the various sources of revenue for the ensuing two years:

County Collectors	\$8,500,000
Fees Notary Commissions	22,000
Sale of Laws	7,000
Fees Land Department	10,000
Fees State Auditor	11,000
Fees Secretary of State	15,000
Incorporation Tax	236,000
County Foreign Insurance Tax	685,000
Public Service	75,000
Warehouse Commission	230,000
Fees Clerk Supreme Court	500
Fees Springfield Court	500
Appeals	500
Fees Kansas City Court of Appeals	3,000
Excise Commission, St. Louis	5,000
County	5,000
Poultry Experiment Station	50,000
Fees Excise Commissioner	50,000
Sale of Beer Stamps	975,000
Interest on Deposits	270,000
Fees of Oil Inspector	230,000
Refunded Amounts	11,000
Taxes on Private Car Companies	20,000
Tax on Express Companies	10,000
Total	\$11,500,000

The Legislature will open on Monday.

EX-TREASURER OWES ST. CLAIR COUNTY \$18,160, AUDITOR SAYS

Paul W. Abt Tenders Successor \$25,000 Two Weeks Ago to Cover Debt Shown by Books.

Auditor Fred Moser of St. Clair County today said an official inspection of the books of Paul W. Abt, former County Treasurer, showed that the amount due to the county from Abt is \$18,160.88. A cash book was found, but there was no record to show whether the money entered in it was placed in bank.

Abt's books as Special Tax Collector have not been gone over. About two weeks ago Abt tendered \$25,000 to his successor, Fred. Warnick. This was said to represent the full amount which his books showed he owed the county.

An official report of the audit will not be made until the special tax books have been examined. Moser said a judicial ruling would be sought to determine whether Abt was entitled to a 2 per cent commission on the collection of collateral inheritance tax. In a Cook County case recently the Illinois Supreme Court ruled that the County Treasurer was not entitled to this commission.

Attack on Whitlock's Successor.

OLEDO, O., Jan. 2.—Republican opponents of Mayor Carl Keller are circulating petitions which they will present to Gov. Willis when he takes his seat Jan. 11, asking that Keller be removed for neglect of duty. Keller is a Republican, and a year ago today succeeded Brand Whitlock, now Minister to Belgium.

Dr. Anna Shaw's Brother Dies.

BOSTON, Jan. 2.—Dr. James S. Shaw, 75 years old, well known in theatrical circles for many years and a brother of Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the National Woman Suffrage Association, died yesterday. Dr. Shaw was examining physician for the Actors' Fund of America.

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POLICE DO NOT SEE LID TILTED ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

No lid violations in connection with the New Year's eve celebration were reported by St. Louis policemen, though captains of all districts had been instructed to require their men to make reports on all infractions.

Although drinking was indulged in as usual every New Year's at all the large downtown cafes until long after 1 o'clock, the legal closing hour, no policeman has indicated that he saw this being done.

Capt. O'Brien today said he made a personal inspection of Central District up to 4 a. m. yesterday. He noted that the bars in all the hotels and cafes were closed and said he saw New Year's eve celebrators dancing, but did not see any of them take a drink.

Policemen were stationed at every downtown hotel and cafe where the passing of the old year was celebrated, but they must have been so busy keeping order that they missed seeing what everybody else saw.

There was no attempt at concealing the fact that the stroke of 1 o'clock did not turn the cafes or hotels into Sahara. Drinking was even more general between midnight and dawn than in the earlier hours of the evening.

Excise Commissioner Anderson had made the usual announcement that the law must be enforced, but said he, as is the usual procedure, would rely on the reports made to him by the police as to whether the lid was tilted on New Year's eve.

As in other years, the police "have nothing to report." Wine was consumed in large quantities on premises covered by saloon licenses, but none of the wine drinkers said: "charge it to the Mayor," and police interference was not called for.

Excise Commissioner Anderson today said he had received no official complaint as to law violations at New Year's celebrations.

Von Hoffman Is Threatened in Court by I. W. W.'s

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**J. H. HEIRS LOSE
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Pending Litigation.

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the appeal from the appointme
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will after Probate Judge Holt
had appointed John S. Leahy as
ary administrator and suspended
authority of the Mercantile Trust
amed in the will as executor.

ny filed a motion that the appeal
quashed. He said the law makes
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il contest and does not authorize
peal from such action.

Frank Ottery, attorney for the plain
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a writ to prohibit Judge Hitchcock
even entertaining the appeal, con
ding the Circuit Judge had nothing
to do with it. His application was de
Thursday. Judge Hitchcock retires
the bench at midnight today.

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Campbell and her daughter, Mrs.
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ACCIDENTS ON VIADUCT
Are Damaged Within an
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Vote on Suffrage Jan. 12.
HINGTON, Jan. 2.—A vote in the
woman suffrage constitu
on Tuesday, Jan. 12,
and upon today, 12

CRUEL, CRUEL! DON'T YOU KNOW YOUR GOLDFISH HAS FEELINGS



HAVE you a little goldfish in your home? Then take it carefully in a nice, square aquarium filled with plants and water and oxygen and all the other little things so dear to the goldfish's heart.

Don't you know that in Germany goldfish in square aquariums live to be 300 years old? If you want your little finny playmate to grow a fine white beard, give him a chance.

Perhaps you don't know also that the S. P. C. A. was rebuked last night in New York, when the American Federation of Goldfish Fanciers met.

S. C. Lloyd, who organized the Federation, "called down" the S. P. C. A., pointing out that it had wholly overlooked the comfort of goldfish and had subordinated the question of kindness to fish to the problem of caring for mere cats, dogs and horses.

"These terrible round globes," commented Mr. Lloyd, "attract the sun and the sun uses up the oxygen, and the little goldfish quickly die. We must get through the Legislature a bill providing for the fine or imprisonment of any dealer who sells goldfish in a globe, and a similar punishment for the cruel housekeeper who confines her finny pets in these wicked circular prisons."

After settling to their own satisfaction this question of cruelty to goldfish, the federation discussed the general status of other members of the finny tribe.

George A. Plimpton advocated that all fish caught on a cruel hook should be killed immediately with a club to end their suffering. He said the Adirondack and Maine woods guides do that little stunt, and that their kindness to the fish in that respect is truly touching.

The members applauded Brother Plimpton's speech, but apparently they didn't know that the guides aren't thinking of the fishes' feelings when they kill 'em, but merely want to keep the meat fresh and sweet—and from flopping around in the boat, you know.

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MUTILATED BODY OF A WOMAN IS FOUND IN 2 BAGS

Trappers on Outskirts of Brook
lyn Encounter It Frozen
in a Pond.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Parts of the mutilated body of a woman were found last night in two bags in a pond on the West Meadows in the vicinity of Sutcliff and Croysey avenues, Bath Beach, Brooklyn.

There is no question in the minds of Inspector of Police Murphy and his detectives that the woman was murdered recently and her body cut up and disposed of in the Meadows.

The discovery was made by John Thomas, a muskrat trapper, and his son, who were going through the Meadows, baiting traps, when they came to the pond. It is close to Gravesend Bay and so inaccessible that it is seldom visited by anyone except the trappers.

Included in the ice Thomas saw two bundles wrapped in newspapers and tied with strong twine. He kicked one of the bundles and then hurried for the police. Half an hour later Inspector Murphy and a dozen detectives were on the pond.

The two bundles were chopped out of the ice, loaded into a patrol wagon and taken to the Sheepshead Bay Police station, where one of them was found to contain the lower part of the torso of a woman. The legs had been cut off clean and the body had been severed with a sharp knife.

Wrapped about the torso was a sheet, a petticoat, woman's gray underwear and a black skirt. About the whole was an Evening World of Dec. 21.

The second bundle was wrapped in an Italian newspaper, also of Dec. 21. So hard was the frozen mass that it was impossible for the police to determine exactly what part of the woman's body it contained. It appeared to be the upper part of the torso, however, with the arms cut off as cleanly as were the legs from the lower torso.

The fact that part of the body was wrapped in an Italian newspaper leads the police to believe the woman had been put to death in one of the Italian colonies near by.

Kills Sweetheart and Self.
GEDDES, S. D., Jan. 2.—August Nelson shot and killed Miss Mary Bridenbach and then ended his life with the same weapon here today. Nelson had been the girl's sweetheart for several years, but recently she had rejected him. Nelson demanded that the girl marry him, and when she refused he killed her.

Kansas Taxes More Than Double.
TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 2.—Taxes in Kansas have increased 118.18 per cent in the last 13 years, according to the biennial report of the State Tax Commission, just made public.

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Child Dancer, 9 Years Old, Celebrates Birthday



Marian Genevieve Pernoud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Pernoud of 515 Page boulevard, who has attained distinction as a fancy dancer and singer, celebrated her ninth birthday today. She has attended a dancing academy for five seasons and

has taken part in each of the special entertainments given.

During the summer of 1912 she posed for moving pictures, taking the part of the inspector's daughter in a four-reel picture drama, "The Inspector of Police," and appearing in other pictures. In December, 1912, she won a gold medal in competitive fancy dancing at a moving picture theater.

She took the part of "Gill" in the Mother Goose pantomime presented in connection with the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival at the Coliseum. She has also appeared in Post-Dispatch Pure Milk and Free Ice entertainments.

Martin says he doesn't remember anything about the checks. He says he has been drinking heavily for eight days since he attended the funeral of St. Senator James Orchard at Eminence. He says he can recall buying and selling some stock and that he recalls paying \$250 in cash to one dealer and \$130 to another. He says he has a check for \$1000 which was paid to him, and that if he has overdrawn his bank account it is all a mistake which he will rectify.

MOTHER CAUSES HIS ARREST
Son Complains of New Year Meal, Then Angriely Smashes Crockery.

John Crowe, 22 years old, of 1474 Clearing street, was arrested at the request of his mother, last night, while he was celebrating New Year's day breaking the dishes, mirrors and windows.

Crowe was not himself when he returned to the house at 8 p. m., with a friend, to have dinner, his mother told the police. He complained of the dinner and interrupted it by smashing all the dishes, and throwing the broken china at windows and mirrors. He will appear in the Dayton Street Police Court today on charges of peace disturbance and destruction of property.

Kansas Opera House Burns.
NEWTON, Kan., Jan. 2.—Fire yesterday destroyed the Kueper Opera Block and a three-story building next door. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

**208 Columns Gained
December's Record
of The St. Louis Star!**

Here Is the Final Count:

During the month of December—compared with the same month of one year ago—The Star made advertising gains totaling 208 columns.

The comparison below shows in actual figures the amount of columns gained or lost by The Star and its two afternoon competitors during the month of December, 1914, compared with December, 1913:

STAR 208

Times 302

Post-Dispatch 238

(The above figures include week-day issues only. The Star has no Sunday issue.)

A REVIEW of the entire year of 1914 would be a repetition of monthly advertising and circulation gains. During the twelve months just ended The St. Louis Star made a total advertising gain of 257,500 agate lines over the same twelve months of 1913.

Here Is the Score for 1914:

Below is given in agate lines the final accounting of gains and losses of the three St. Louis afternoon newspapers for the year of 1914, as compared with 1913:

STAR 357,300

Times 821,700

Post-Dispatch 177,300

(The above figures include week-day issues only. The Star has no Sunday issue.)

—and, added to these remarkable advertising gains is a circulation increase averaging 21,705 copies each day for the month of December.

No advertiser, when confronted with the above facts and figures, should ask more conclusive proof of The Star's real service.

Member of Audit Bureau of Circulation. **"A Paper With a Purpose"**

Not many persons are willing to wait until TOMORROW to learn what has happened in the world TODAY. The development of the modern evening newspaper has made it unnecessary. Time was, perhaps, when even the best evening newspaper was merely a bulletin of events. But now it is a live, eager, alert eye-witness to what is happening within the day and the hour—and it keeps your information about things UP TO THE HOUR. And that applies to STORES, as well as to NEWS. In St. Louis the Post-Dispatch is the ONE BIG Newspaper, the one big evening advertising medium—the one authority on the news of the day and the news of the stores.

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Turning Over That New Leaf, We Beg to State Our Books Are Now Closed

With the Champion: This Is the Life!

By Robert Edgren.

TORONTOERS NOT A CLASS OF LOCAL SPEEDERS

English Style of Play Worthless Against Columbus Club Soccer Team.

ST. LEOS GET A DRAW

Pullmans of Chicago Are Lucky to Stave Off Defeat in Fast Game, 1-1.

SOCCER SCHEDULES FOR THIS AFTERNOON

Contesting teams—Columbian A. C. vs. Pullmans of Chicago, 11 a. m. Time of start—2:30 p. m.

Time of halves—Forty-five minutes.

Admission fee—Fifty cents.

Referee—Phil Kavanaugh.

Yesterday's result—Pullmans, 1; St. Leo's, 1.

Tomorrow's game—Ben Millers vs. Pullmans.

AT ROBISON FIELD.

Contesting teams—Manawala vs. Toronto Soccer Club of Toronto, Ont.

Time of start—2:30 p. m.

Time of halves—Forty-five minutes.

Admission fee—Fifty cents.

Referee—Paul Mcweeney.

Yesterday's result—Columbian Club, 6; Toronto, 6.

Tomorrow's game—Innisfalls vs. Toronto.

An overwhelming victory over a soccer eleven reputed to be one of the greatest in Canada, and a tie game with a team that has defeated almost every strong team in the West were the verdicts returned in favor of local soccer teams in yesterday's inter-city clashes.

The Columbus Club of the Robison Field landed a 6 to 0 victory over the Toronto Soccer Club of Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The St. Leo's struggled with the Pullmans, three-time Chicago champions for 90 minutes to a 1-1 tie at Federal League Park.

That little old ball of comparative drawing power between the two rival leagues was again in evidence. Once again the Robison Field contest attracted more fans than did the rival "outlaws." A counted attendance of 538 persons witnessed the North Side battle while some 615 passed through the Federal Park turnstiles.

As it was raining at game time, the things at both parks may be considered very good.

Ontario Manager Explains.

The manner in which the Knights flopped those bold Britishers, however, was a huge surprise of the afternoon.

The Toronto club had scored but one goal in two years, and that was at hands of the Innisfalls on Christmas day.

The visitors are considered as the "best" of the Western par of this country, to show us more glory for the locals.

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stated that there were but two reasons why the locals were defeated.

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Ch. C. Territory.

Local difference in the team play was six points, or anything like that.

The truth of the matter is that the Toronto club was a very strong team.

Out of Luck.

There were so many thrills, and excitement of play in the St. Leo's team knotted contest that a spectator was on his feet the greater part of the time.

Twice the local forward line was the ball down the field to the goal.

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SAFE DELIVERY IN MARCH GUARANTEED

M'GRAW STEALING RICKEY'S "STUFF" IN TRAINING CAMP

Giants, in Their Permanent Home, Will Build Handball Courts and Sliding Pits.

Branch Rickey, the radical, might if he were a two-day actor, rear up on his hind legs and shout:

"John McGraw is stealing my stuff."

For it is a fact that Rickey's innovations in the way of pitching, sliding, and handball courts, etc., etc., as special equipment for up-to-date training camps, are being installed in Marlin Springs, Tex., the home of the Giants. Recently the New York club took over a hotel and grounds as their very own at Marlin and for all time will make the Texas spa their training quarters.

Schuyler Britton, president of the Cardinals, was unable to leave for Cincinnati last night, but announced today that he probably would start for Rhinecliff Sunday evening.

"Something came up," explained Britton, "but I'll meet Huggins no later than Monday."

Ahearn Draws With Dillon; Other Results

At Columbus, O.—K. O. Mors and Patsy Kline boxed 12 fast rounds to a draw.

At New York—Tom McCarthy knocked out Sailor Fritts, three rounds.

At Philadelphia—Jack McDermott stopped Jimmy Hogan, two rounds; Ted Lewis, lightweight of England, bested Willie Moore, six rounds; Tom Logan knocked out Jack Reed of Toledo, in four rounds.

At Philadelphia—The big fight of the day at Philadelphia between Jack Dillon and Young Ahearn was about even up, Ahearn speed balancing Dillon's heavier blows.

At Buffalo—Jimmy Duffy and Sam Robideau fought 10 great rounds at Buffalo, each manager rushing to the wires to claim a victory.

Harry Palmer bested Joe Harang of New Orleans at Pittsburgh, six rounds.

Tommy Lowe defeated Knockout Brown (the lightweight one) in 15 rounds at Ardmore, Ill., across the river from Washington.

Hal Stewart and Battling Terry, six-round draw at Grand Rapids.

Tony Ross and Jim Flynn fought a large and shambling 10-round draw at Albany, N. Y.

Jim Elliott, the St. Paul heavyweight, knocked out Bob Allen at New York, two rounds.

Al McCoy (the one who best Chip) drew with K. O. Sweeney at Albany, 10 rounds.

Huggins Sues to Enjoin L. Magee

Manager of the Cards Files Injunction Petition in Cincinnati, in Hope of Restraining Jumper.

Miller J. Huggins, manager of the Cardinals, today took steps looking toward the prevention of Lee Magee from playing with the Federal League Club of Brooklyn, with whom the former Cardinal recently signed a contract both as player and manager, according to his own admission.

A dispatch received here today from Huggins himself reads:

Have filed injunction proceedings against Lee Magee here today.

M. J. HUGGINS.

A dispatch to Cincinnati asking for further information, elicited the following reply from the Post-Dispatch's correspondent:

Injunction proceedings to stop Lee Magee jumping to the Feds were duly filed by the Cardinals today in the United States Court, but the judge has ordered all publication here suppressed, under contempt of court penalty until Magee has been brought before the judge.

As soon as the United States Marshal catches Magee the story will be released.

The petition filed by Huggins asks that Leo Hoernschmeyer be restrained from playing or managing any other clubs than the St. Louis National.

No More Autos for Ball Stars.

That much-harried baseball body, the Chalmers Commission, is a thing of the past. No more, in future, will its members feel divided between love and duty, each year, when the task of impartially selecting the "best player in each big league" is complicated with the longing to honor a local favorite.

The firm that for five years has donated an automobile to the man in each league considered of greatest value to his team is tired of its pet plan and has hung up the "nothing doing" sign for next year.

Whether it is because of hard times or the belief that the commission had proved a failure, or because of the fact that it is never made known.

Just a Popularity Guess.

CONSIDERING the handicaps under which it labored, the commission "got by" with its stuff a lot better than it deserved.

The fear that one or two men would have a near-perpetual hold on the committee was one of the things that finally drove the scheme into retirement.

This year's selections, Collins and Evers, seem to have been the nearest to public opinion the committee attained, except in such cases as when Ty Cobb was selected.

In most of the instances the committee was satisfied to name the most popular member of each world's series contending team, ignoring the stars of other clubs.

Walter Johnson was an exception and his choice was looked on unfavorably in most quarters, as he was a pitcher and not in every game.

Names of the Famous.

The committee was hampered, too, by the fact that to correctly award the title in the American League meant the piling up of autos in one garage—that of Ty Cobb.

In the line of line of interesting discussion, all baseball ball, the commission was a success. Here are the names of the Hall of Fame place winners:

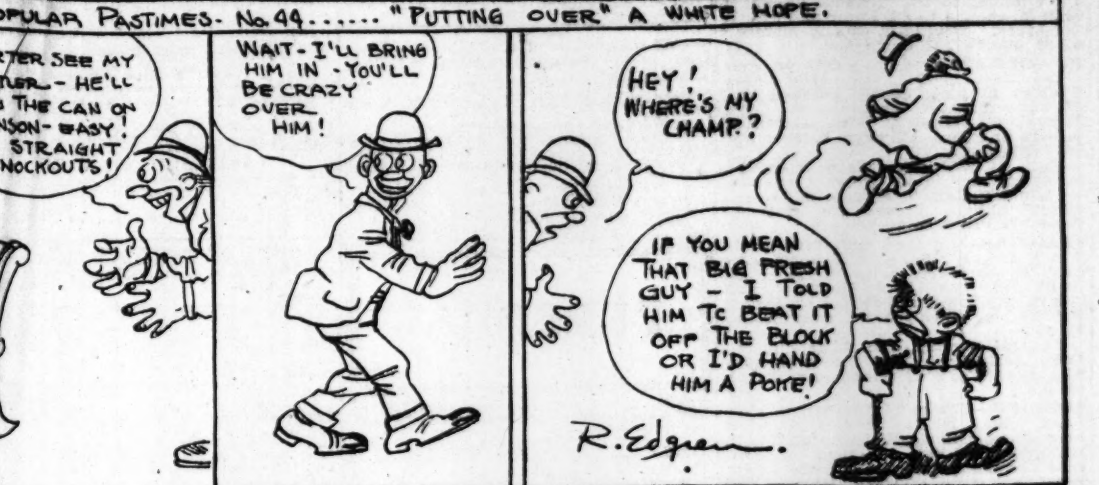
Ty Cobb (twice), Larry Lajoie, Tris Speaker, Walter Johnson, Eddie Collins, Hank Sauer, Larry Doyle, Jake Daubert, Johnny Evers.

Wanted: Athletic Financiers.

A FEW precedent setters to conjure a bank account out of air are badly needed in St. Louis. One of the difficulties of athletics promotion in this city has been the lack of "prodigious" man with the punch that will make the millions sports lozenge.

For the want of such a punch St. Louis has lost one of the most desirable athletic events in the West, even in the country, the Missouri Valley Conference track and field meet.

The Valley schools were eager



THE LATEST DOPE: JOHNSON IS VERY FAT, BUT HASN'T LOST ANY OF HIS SPEED.

GUNBOAT SMITH, MUCH IMPROVED, IS COOL, CALM, AND RING

California Heavyweight, Who Lost to Carpenter on Foul, Shows Better Generalship.

By Robert Edgren, A Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Gunboat Smith is said to be a changed fighter. There was a time when the Gunner was as eccentric in action as a half-tamed bronco.

"The inner has begun to show class," said a sporting man the other day. When he fought McCarthy last week and the Monte man had help from three or four knock-downs, he "fired to the referee and said: 'Don't take me hit that poor low again, top it.' A couple of years ago Smith would have been excited enough to tear in and try to knock McCarthy out into the crowd.

"Remember when he boxed Wuest? He agreed to let me go into the ring that either man should be disqualified if he hit in the break. He didn't break and knocked him down. A minute later, just after being warned, he hit Wuest in the break and was finished him. The only reason the Gunner wasn't disqualified that night was the referee didn't enforce the rules.

"Smith used to hit them all on the breaks and hold and hold and when he had a man going fast he hit harder than before. Finally he lost the biggest fight of his career in England on a foul, hitting Carpenter when the Frenchman was on his knees. That taught Smith a lesson. He's now a more effective fighter on account of it.

Bob Fitzsimmons, the greatest fighter in all the history of the ring, had his own theory of a knockout.

"It doesn't hurt anybody to be knocked out," Fitz said. "I like to be gentle and considerate and knock 'em out in a hurry. I put it over as soon as I can, instead of beating them down gradually. The gentler way is to land a clean one-punch knockout. It doesn't hurt anybody to be knocked out."

Fitzsimmons once met a man who took a number of hard knockdowns and still struggled standing in the ring. He was nearly helpless condition and refusing to give up. This was Jack Dempsey, who was losing his world championship fight to Fitzsimmons.

One-Round Hogan Reappears.

One-Round Hogan is back in New York. Hogan says that for a year he has been driving a truck and that he is now ready to fight again. He is now in the hands of a trainer and is expected to fight soon.

Now that Col. Ruppert has acquired a clear title to the world championship, he will venture the inquiry, "What's he going to do with 'em?"

In addition to being ripped up with revolutions, Mexico is now infested with Jack Johnson. Mexico has our sympathy.

"THERE'S A Mate in This Big World for You." Get her a diamond ring on credit at Lottis Bros., 54 floor, 308 N. 6th st.

Sport Facts You Ought to Know

Dwight Davis Is Going East to Defend, With Joseph Wear, His Claim to the National Championship in Racquets.

PARK COMMISSIONER DWIGHT DAVIS announces that he will depart for Philadelphia the latter part of this month to defend, with Joe Wear, a former St. Louis man residing in the Quaker City, his claim to the national championship in racquets. The local pair won the title last year.

Wear at present is teamed with George Broke, coach of the Pennsylvania U. football team, in a double team in Philadelphia, he is representing the racquet club of that city. However, the report current in Philadelphia is that Wear would be paired with Brooke or Edgar Scott in the national tournament, is wrong. He will play with Davis.

Gleason's Great Record.

"K ID" GLEASON, the White Sox coach who was recently fired by the newly appointed manager, Clarence Rowland, began his big league career in Philadelphia, where he was known as "The White Sox" Gleason was always known as being a glutton for work. He was invariably the first man on the field and the last one to reach the clubhouse. Despite his small size, he was known as a "big" man and one of the pugilistic bullies among the players was ever anxious to mix it with Kid Gleason.

The Home of Heroes.

The election of Lorin Solon as captain of the Minnesota University football team, gives the Chippewa Falls High School, at Chippewa Falls, Wis., the honor of having furnished within the last five years three varsity captains of high repute on the gridiron, viz.: Solon, Minnesota, '12; Alvin Fandberg, University of Wisconsin, '13 and Solon, Minnesota, '14. These noted gridiron stars first won their fame at football on the Chippewa Falls High School eleven, between the years of 1911-12.

CHIEF OF JURY. Comes on over to Let's see how you like it. It's a big job and risk out a sparrer for her; easy terms.

KING GETS DRAW WITH CALLAHAN, ALTHOUGH BEATEN

Peculiar Decision in Alton Bout Is Result of Agreement Made Before Bout Began.

ZULU KID STOPS WAGNER

Referee Sullivan Halts Bout to Save Loser From Being Knocked Silly.

Frankie Callahan Brings Brink Back From New York

FRANKIE CALLAHAN has returned from New York with a bride. The popular little boxer was married about three months ago, but not even his manager, "Sport" Sullivan, knew of it until he and Callahan recently went East for the Christmas holidays.

"Sport" received a telegram from his brother, Tommy Sullivan, to bring on Callahan to box King at Alton, the boxer told his manager what had happened and suggested that Mrs. Callahan accompany them West to make his future home.

By Harry S. Sharpe. Referee for the Future City Athletic Club and the Post-Dispatch Boxing Authority.

Frankie Callahan of Brooklyn, N. Y., outboxed, out hit, out pointed and out fought Johnny King of Chicago, Ill., last night in a six-round bout before the Bluff City Athletic Club of Alton, Ill.

Though Callahan was the actual winner, King will officially get credit for a draw because it was agreed in advance that if both men were on their feet at the end of the bout it would be so determined.

It was not a one-sided bout by any means for King was in the ring in good condition, having trained faithfully, while Callahan, after a 36-hour ride from New York, ended Thursday night with a bit sluggish in the beginning, but warmed up in the latter rounds.

King fought with the latter rounds in some good punches, but Callahan was too fast and clever for him.

Roughest Bout in Months.

It was a real fight, and one of the roughest seen in this vicinity for some time. The Queenberry rules were mauling and beyond the pale of holding order, and the hitting while holding done by both boxers reminded old-timers of the London prize-ring days when a fighter could hold an opponent and pummel away until the unfortunate victim was knocked out by the turf or he managed to somehow release himself.

Referee Tommy Sullivan had the hardest job he has tackled in a long time. He had to keep the fight on a reasonable limitation of modern interpretation of the rules seemed a hopeless task.

King was cautioned for having twice struck Callahan low in the very first round.

King, disregarding the agreement to "break clean," sent over a smashing right to Callahan's jaw. King explained to Referee Sullivan that Callahan was holding him and hitting, and he was not only protesting, but was using the rough work and was getting it in the line of fighting that followed.

King was right, but he was using his good-natured little Italian left hand to strike Callahan's jaw, and his attempt for Callahan, the latter answered with a cold, cruel, beating snapper and punches.

Callahan Has Narrow Escape.

The bout was exciting, not only for the snappy punching and heavy slugging that took place, but because, in addition, the ropes which made the ring were so loose that Callahan was able to get out of the ring and escape the footlights.

Callahan showed great ability at fighting and several times it appeared as if King was about to go under, but he was not. Callahan did go through and came dangerously near going over the footlights.

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Zulu Kid Scores Easily.

In the semi-final Wagner started out to box a six-round bout with the Zulu Kid, but Referee Sullivan saved him from a sure knockout by stopping the bout in the second round.

The Zulu slugged Wagner all over the ring. Wagner displayed nothing but some wild swings, and it was an easy bout for the Zulu.

A youngster whose name is said to be Tommy Core, but who was supposed to be "Young Leann" Core, was supposed to box with Leo Schneider, and for about one minute it was a very lady-like affair, and then Referee Sullivan stepped in and stopped the bout.

Just because the preliminary had been so disappointing, Jack Hanson put on the gloves and gave Leo a lesson in boxing in a four-round exhibition bout that must have made Hanson think twice before he entered the ring and the same.

Two Games at South Side Park.

Two games will be played tomorrow afternoon at South Side Park. The first game will be between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Chicago Cubs. The second game will be between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Chicago Cubs.

ROOMS WITH BOARD—WEST

WEST PINE BL., 4308—Desirable room,
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MARRIAGE LICENSES.

William Goodin.....	Minneapolis
Ethel Graves.....	3511
William Gooden.....	Taylor
Lulu Klassen.....	Taylor

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WHEAT MARKET IS STRONG AT THE WEEK-END SESSION

Heavy Export Sales Cause an Advance
Nearly Two Cents a Bushel—Corn and
Oats Also Firm.

SATURDAY'S COMPARATIVE FUTURE QUOTATIONS.
Reported by St. Louis Merchants' Exchange.
ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2
MAY WHEAT.

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		JULY WHEAT.				
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Chicago	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Kansas City	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
MAY OATS.						
St. Louis	52 1/2	54	53 1/2	54	53 1/2	54
Chicago	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
DECEMBER OATS.						

\$0.00410 00	Chicago	51	51 1/2	51	51 1/2
8 00100 00					
2 50100 00					
8 25100 00					
8 25100 00	Wheat was 1c higher in the local				
8 25100 00	market early today on reports of an				
8 25100 00	increase in export demands. The				
8 25100 00					

COTTON FUTURES TOUCH HIGH ON MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The New York change was the only futures market open today. The cotton trade today. Trading here comparatively quiet, but there was a moderate demand from spot people and exporters with foreign connections and after a

Statistical news was mixed. Minneapolis reported 345 cars of wheat, against 412 last week and 249 last year. Duluth 36, against 85 and 134.

The amount of cotton on shipment at close of business last night not yet sold was estimated at 654,000 bales for 1900 last year. The market closed steady.

Cotton—Futures closed steady; Jan. March 8.75c, May 8.85c, July 8.8½c, Sept. Oct. 8.85c, Dec. 8.85c, 8.85c. Cotton seed; middling uplands

		NEW YORK FUTURE CLOSE			
		Closing	High	Low	Close
		Thursday	Friday	Friday	Friday
7 0047 50	corn. Coase grains closed firm at fair gains.				
7 0046 75					
7 0046 50					
7 0046 25	The official Liverpool cable said:				
7 0046 00	"Wheat was dull but firmly held, owing to the dearth of offers of winter wheat at 3d higher from Thursday, and unfavorable weather in India and Arsen-				
7 0045 75					
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iv.	Price.	the Argentine official report. Spot market was firm and unchanged, with a better inquiry for winters, which sold at the advance on lighter offers. Arrivals here and lighter world's shipments expected to be lighter.	Dec. \$2.00 8.00 5.00
0....	\$5.00	"Cane was strong, with the advance	St. Louis—Tone of market: Steady higher. Sales, 10 bales. Ordinary 8c; ordinary, 5c; low middling, 8c; middling, 9c; good middling, 10c; fair, 11c; tinne, 12c to 13c off from white.
		"Spot cotton markets: Galveston, firm.	

NG.	4 75	lighter Argentine shipments. Local stocks are decreasing and Argentine freights continue to advance.	steady, 74c; Norfolk, steady, 74c; Winton, steady, 74c; Houston, steady, 74c; Augusta, steady, 74c; Memphis, steady
	4 25	Argentine shipments:	
	4 18	Wheat—This week, 23,000 bu; last week, 45,000; last year, 72,000; two years ago, 580,000	LOCAL WAREHOUSE STATEMENTS
			This Year.

1,381,000; last year, 1,233,000; two years ago, 3,231,000.

India wheat shipments this week amounted to 104,000 bu, all to the United Kingdom.

On the January crop report: "Wheat in good condition for a first-class crop."

was beneficial since the report was compiled. Farm reserves of wheat 12,000,000 bu., against 4,000,000 last year. Corn reserves 25,000,000 bu., against 30,000,000 last year. Oats reserves 12,000,000 bu., against 7,000,000 last year.

The marketing official crop report anticipated:

Liverpool Cotton.
NEW YORK. Jan. 2.—Cotton—
opened steady. Jan. 7.55¢; Feb. 7.70¢; March, 7.78¢; May, 8.00¢; July, 8.10¢; Aug., offered, 8.30¢; Oct., 8.44¢.

74	and oats \$2,000,000 bu. Exportable	MILWAUKEE, Wis. Jan. 2.—Whe
75	surplus of wheat estimated at 132-	1 Northern, 1 25c; 1 30c; 2 N
76	000,000 bu and oats at 75,000,000 bu.	1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c
77	Clearances: Wheat and flour 1	1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c
78	600,000 cwt; Flour 22,000,000 lb; corn 187,000	1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c
79	wheat 1,501,000; oats 10,000.	1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c; 1 25c
80	Duluth stocks of wheat increased	White, 75c; Oats—Standard, 51c;
		May, 50c; 50c; May, 54c. Rye—

Minneapolis Grain.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 2.—Wheat No. 3 hard red winter, 1.29; No. 2 Northern, \$1.22 to \$1.27; May Corn—No. 3 yellow, 64¢ to 64½¢; oats white, 47¢ to 48¼¢; flax, \$1.00 to \$1.05.

Quote No. 2 corn, 69c; No. 3 corn, 68½c; No. 4 corn, 67½c; No. 5 corn, 67c; No. 6 corn, 65½c; sample grade corn, 64c; No. 2 yellow corn, 69½c; No. 3 yellow corn, 68½c; No. 4 yellow corn, 68c; No. 5 yellow corn, 67½c; No. 6 yellow corn, 66½c.

No. 4 white corn, 51¢
 Quote No. 2 white oats, 51½¢; standard
 oats, 51¢; No. 3 white oats, 50¼@50½¢;
 No. 4 white oats, 50¢; No. 2 oats, 49½¢
 50¢; No. 3 oats, 48½@49¢ n.
 Quote No. 2 rye, \$1.10 n.

Duluth Markets.
 DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 2.—Lined—
 and May, \$1.63½. Wheat—No. 1 hard, 81.
 No. 1 Northern, \$1.27½; No. 2 Northern,

KANSAS CRY. Mo., Jan. 2.—Cash wheat
1@2c higher; No. 2 hard, \$1.22@1.24; No.
1, \$1.22@1.23; No. 2 red, \$1.23@1.24; No.
1 white, \$1.21@1.22.

Corn unchanged to half higher; No. 2
mixed, 67½c; No. 3, 67½c; No. 2 white, 68½c;
No. 3, 68½c.

Oats, No. 2 white, 49@51c;

Toledo Clover Seed.

TOLDO, O., Jan. 2.—Wheat—
\$1.09½; No. 1, \$1.13; No. 2, \$1.09½—
cash, 50¢; Feb. 50¢; March, 50¢—
—Prime, cash, 50½c; March, 50½c, Tim-
—Prime, cash, 53¾c; March, 53½c.

\$18.65a 19.25	Rye, \$1.05 wheat, 249 cns.	Hay unchanged.	Receipts.
Chicago Cash Grain.			
10.52a55 10.80b	CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1.27 1/2; No. 2 hard, \$1.27 1/2; No. 2 corn—No. 2 yellow, 69 1/2 c; No. 3 yellow, 69 1/2 c.		

k. Hogs—Re-
 37.20 @ 7.35;
 butchers,
 pigs, \$6.25

Wall Street

Hogs—Res.
cavy. \$7.15
\$3.75 @ 6.75;
native

\$241,000.000

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The Jarr Family

By ROY L. MCCARDELL

Mrs. Jarr Receives Weird Messages From One Who Has Crossed the Bar.

It being the joyous holiday season and good will being in the air, Mr. Jarr and Mr. Rangle attracted particular attention as they sang "Seeing Nellie Home" at the street-side inns they visited during the first hiatus they had participated in for a year or more. The hiatus, be it understood, is the time that elapses between leaving work and arriving home. When this period of elapsed time runs into hours and is marked by a cheerful vertigo, it may well be termed a hiatus.

Perhaps the vocal efforts of Mr. Jarr and Mr. Rangle were not especially conspicuous, because near them were two stout gentlemen with their arms twined around a very thin gentleman, and this trio was warbling "Good Night Ladies!"

Further down the bar there were two middle-aged men chanting, so far as they could remember it, the old sentimental song of "Junata." Ever and anon all these gentlemen would go out and send messages home that they were delayed on the books or attending meetings of the boards of directors. There were other hiatuses besides that of Mr. Jarr and Mr. Rangle's. 'Tis always thus in the holiday season, when the tenderest emotions are vibrant.

Mr. Rangle had just discovered that a Mr. Wilkinson (who got in conversation with him by apologizing for accidentally joggling his elbow, but who, as a real gentleman, replaced at his own expense what had been spilled) had one of the most remarkable foreheads he had ever seen. "A regular Shakespearian, I might say Baconian, forehead!" Mr. Rangle had added.

"This was true enough, for the forehead of Mr. Wilkinson extended from his eyebrows to the back of his neck, being a human egg as to baldness. Mr. Jarr had also made the happy discovery that the gentleman on his left was a brother lodge member—Pewee Branch, of the Sheltering Order of Wok-Wok—and knew Mr. Cota, also of Pewee, the Exalted Past Grand Wimpus of the Sheltering Order. Then all four went out together to send more messages home. Mr. Wilkinson's message was: "I am still in Joplin, Mo." The Pewee fellow lodge member was what hazy as to the way to spell "venerable"—for his message to his read: "I'm lost in an impenetrable forest. Don't be alarmed."

The sweetest little woman in the world! You must come over to Pewee to meet her. Come with me now! She never minds when I bring home company. The more the merrier for my sweet-sweet name, Vivian—hi!" remarked the Pewee fellow Wok-Wokker.

Woman, in our hours of ease, certain, coy and hard to please! I see too often, familiar with her face, I must endure, then pity and then embrace!"

ted the bald-headed highbrow, who a born orator, being, of course, a national Southerner who worked at his profession. Rangle, still mindful of the schoolroom Buenos Aires unloading their "as of Argentine B-products for his composed the following message, a slight variation in the case of one for Mrs. Jarr: "I'm still unloading horns."

in the hiatus never reck of the reckoning. Wilkinson shed a tear over the Jarr message. The fellow lodge member said he'd use same form a little later, when he'd the forest and go to sea. Then they all started for Pewee to see sweet Vivian, the fellow Wok-Wokker's wife.

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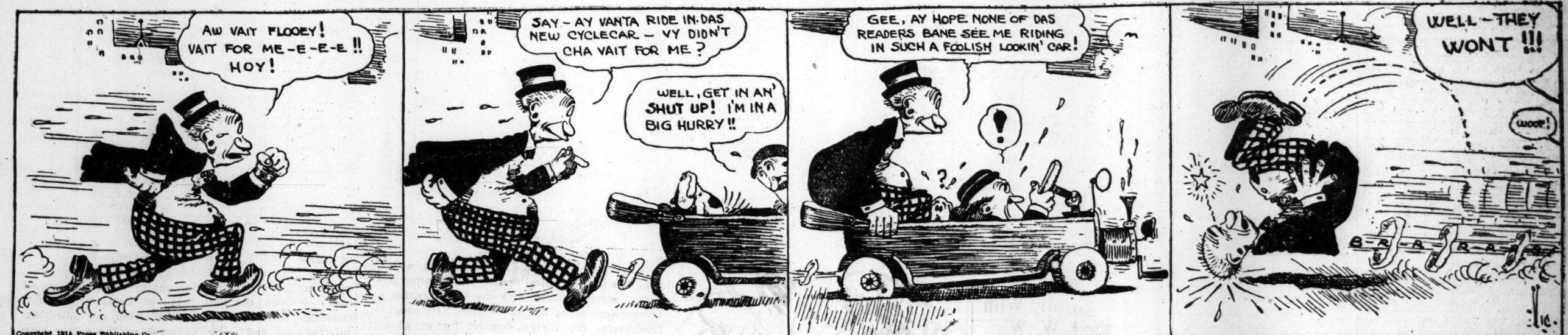
It All Depends on the Feet!

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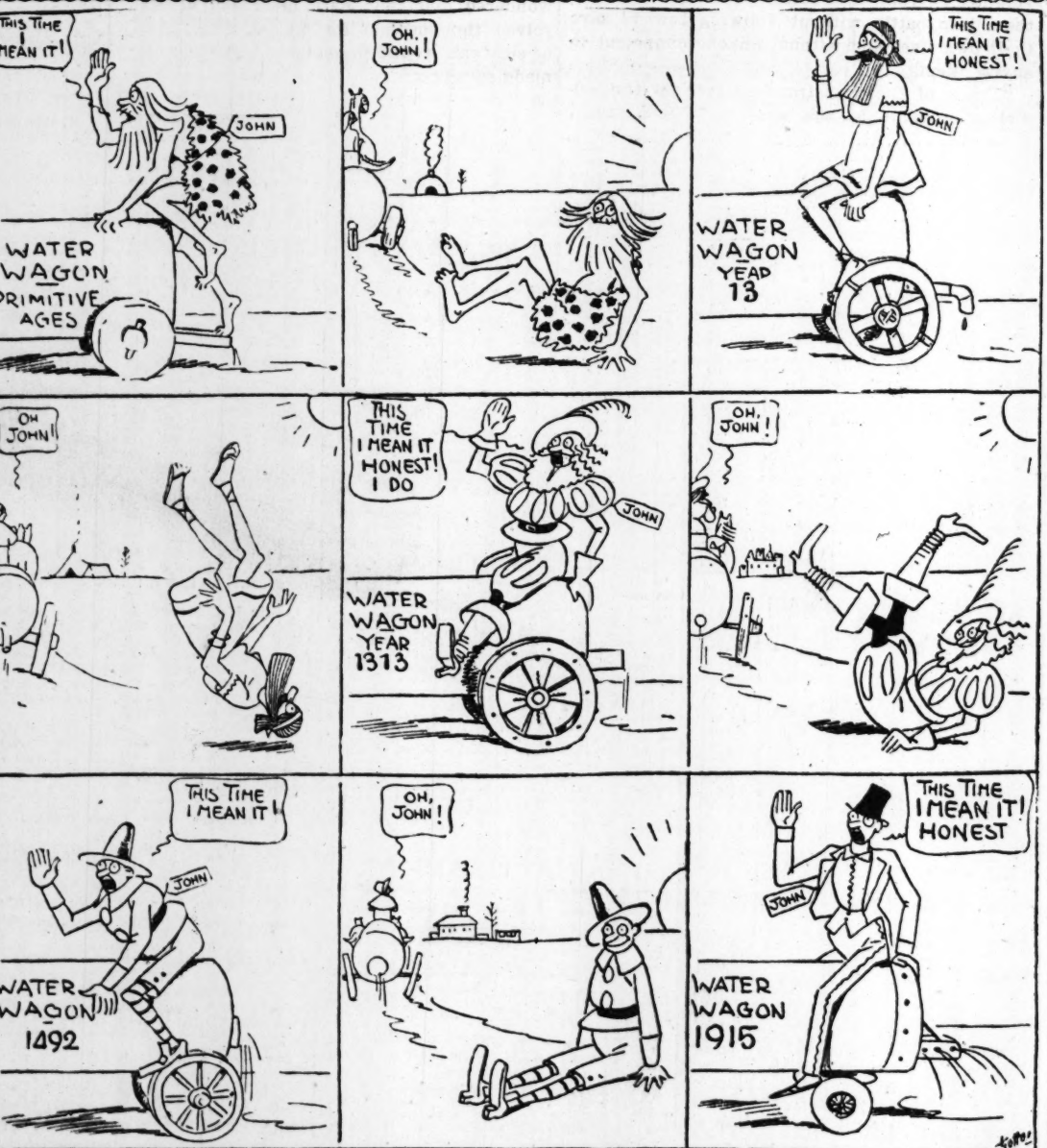
Don't Blame Flooey for Starting So Suddenly—He Was in a Big Hurry!

Drawn for the Post-Dispatch By VIC.



'Twas Ever Thus

Drawn for the Post-Dispatch By MAURICE KETTEN.



Good Stuff in Him.

THERE'S some good stuff in that young brother of yours, Miss Ethel. "I should say there was. He just finished eating that two-pound box of chocolates you brought me the other night."



"I tell you, the cost of the cigars and whisky consumed in this country in one year would build a navy."

Courage of Convictions

SUCCESS not only means having an aim in life, but also in having nerve enough to pull the trigger when it comes time to shoot.

The Brotherhood.

I DIDN'T know you owned a motor car. "I don't." "Then why are you wearing automobile goggles and a duster?" "To keep motorists and other speed maniacs from running over me. They think I'm one of them."

Literal.

HENRY had tough luck, didn't he? "What happened?" "He gave Edith two pounds of real honey for Christmas and called her his Baby Bumble Bee." "And then what?" "She stung him!"

Puzzled Elizabeth.

LITTLE Elizabeth and her mother were having luncheon together and the mother, who always tried to impress facts upon her young daughter, said: "These little sardines, Elizabeth, are sometimes eaten by the larger fish." Elizabeth gazed at the sardines in wonder and then asked: "But, mother, how do the large fish get the cans open?"

Not All at Once.

I WONDER why it is that the man who marries in haste is usually supposed to repent at leisure? "Because that kind of man wouldn't have brains enough to do it all at once, of course."

Well-Proved Exceptions.

DOES the course of true love never run smooth? "Only when neither party has enough to marry anybody else, or both have so much they've got to marry each other."

How to Make a Hit

By Alma Woodward.

Note—The occasion is the moment when, at a function, your husband introduces you to a lady who once threw him over for a better thing—whereupon he turned to you and committed matrimony. She knows that you know. You know that she knows. And your husband knows that you both know! The following rules, if closely followed, will result in your making at least a two-base hit:

1. FIRST—When your husband performs the introduction, smile graciously, and murmur: "I beg pardon, Charlie, dear, but what did you say the lady's name was—er—is, I mean?"
2. Having mastered the name, half-extend your hand, until she, instinctively, does the same. Then withdraw yours so that hers is left in midair, with the sickly expression of a limp clam fritter. She won't be certain whether etiquette forbids handshaking—or whether you hope she chokes!
3. Travel up and down her figure (which has degenerated into a series of terraces) with the eye of a non-greased, pure-food inspector inspecting an heirloom egg!
4. Any observation that she may venture on the weather, the high cost of rib roast, or the latest opera oppose vehemently; and playfully dig your husband in the ribs until he corroborates your opinions. He'll have a fit for fear that she'll suspect he's henpecked. And she'll think, sadly, how different it would have been had she copped him instead of the persimmon she did pluck!
5. If she refers back to "the old days"—meaning, of course, the days before you blotted the background—chortle hoarsely and remark that that must have been the time when poor Charlie was in his grass-beg pardon, his salad—days; when all young men, collectively, are fools and most likely to ruin their brilliant futures by an unfortunate marriage.
6. When that has sunk deep enough to curdle any drop of the milk of human kindness she may have had for you, look appraisingly, first, at your husband, then at her, and murmur vaguely (be sure it isn't pointedly) that it's ghastly how much more quickly women age than men!
7. By now she's ripe for the little pushing confidence that Charlie, one night when you were sitting before the fire, opened his heart and blurted out all the details of his former ineconomical amours! She'll show a spasm, wondering how much of a blurt it was. (This is the essence of the art of exquisite torture.)
8. To be sure and have her laughing when you say goodbye, remark airily: "So glad to have met you, Mrs.—er—Mrs.—I really CAN'T recall your name! DO come and see me some time! Yes, DO!" And saunter away without giving your address or even your phone number.

The Wrong Man.

THE determined-looking woman at the door scarcely waited for the tramp to explain why he had called. "Yes," she said, "I might manage to give you something to eat if you'll saw and chop a good pile of stove wood and bring in a few buckets of water and clean up the back yard and fix up the front fence."

Not Any More.

DOES your husband ever lose his temper? "Not any more. He lost it permanently about two years after our marriage."

Taking Things Quietly.



A Compromise.

LOOK here, Hiram," said Si, "when be you goin' to pay me them \$8 fer pasturin' your heifer? I've had her now fer about 10 weeks." "Why, Si, ther critter ain't worth morn' \$10."

Had Been There Before.

A NUMBER of North society women were discussing a recent wedding. "And do you know," said one, "Just as Harold and the widow started up the aisle to the altar every light in the church went out." "A number of 'Ohs'" greeted this startling piece of information. "What did the couple do then?" inquired one of the women anxiously. "Kept right on going. The widow knew the way."

Up-to-Date Diary.

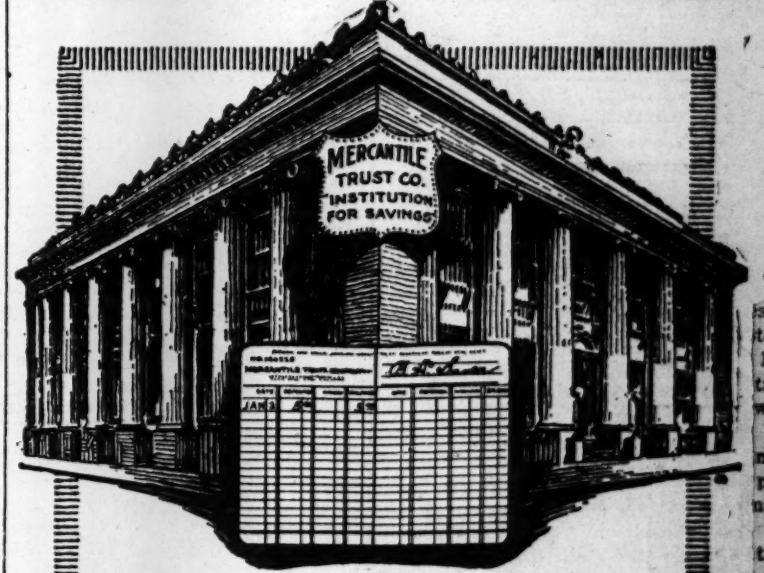
DEALER: A diary for 1915. Perhaps this new style will suit you. Customer: Rather small, isn't it? Why, it stops with Jan. 15. Dealer: Yes, it is very compact—does away with the unnecessary bulk of paper that you find in the old-fashioned diaries.

Discord.

PATIENCE: "So they have separated?" Fatrice: "Yes; they couldn't get along as man and wife." "What was the trouble?" "It seems they graduated from different institutions and their college yells didn't harmonize."

Hits From Sharp Wits.

A truthful man hesitates long to call another a liar. . . . About the only thing that can grow on nothing is expenses. . . . The more knowledge a man acquires, the less it seems to him. . . . A man's record is made of his doings, not of his sayings.—Albany Journal. . . . Nearly every family tree has branches that furnish work for the limbs of the law. . . . Nothing promotes charity like putting the hand in the pocket, pulling out the purse and giving liberally from its contents.—Deseret News. . . . Usually, the fellow who has had enough to drink has had more than is good for him.—Toledo Blade. . . . "No use trying to convince the fellow who gets licked," remarked the Man on the Car, "that everything that happens is for the best." . . . Everybody must wait for his own street car. That's one of the few things a person cannot ask a friend to do for him.—Toledo Blade. . . . The man who always tells exactly what he would have done in the place of another usually is not telling the truth, though he may not know it.—Albany Journal.



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